(ङ) पर्यटन पहले ही उद्योग के एक महत्वपूर्ण भाग के रूप में उभरा है और शताब्दी के अंत तक, अर्थ व्यवस्था में इसका योगदान बढ़ने की संभावना है।

Export House Status to Tourism

465. SHRI SURESH KALMADI: Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government have accorded export house status to tourism; and

(b) if so, what are the details of benefits which will accrue to tourism industry as a result of this status?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TOURISM (SHRI OMAK APANG): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) As notified by Ministry of Commerce vide Notification No. 33 (RE-98) 1997—2002 dated 26.11.98, Hostels, Travel Agents, Tour Operators, Tourist Transport Operators shall be entitled for recognition as an export house/trading house/star trading house/super star trading house. They shall be entitled to such benefits as specified in Chapter 12 of the Handbook of Procedures (Volume-I). However, the entitlement of SIL under chapter 12 shall be calculated on the basis of payments received in free foreign exchange instead of FOB value of exports.

RE. CORRIGENDUM TO THE MEMORANDUM OF ACTION TAKEN ON THE FINAL REPORT OF THE JAIN COMMISSION OF INQUIRY

MR. CHAIRMAN: I have got a request from the hon. Member, Shri Md. Salim. He wants to raise a question with regard to Item No. 1(II) in today's List of Business. Mr. Salim, under what rule do you want to raise this question?

SHRI MD. SALIM (West Bengal): Sir, according to the rules of procedure and Conduct of Business in the council of States, the Minister has every right to issue a correction in respect of any paper that has already been laid on the Table of the House. But the rule does not permit the premature publication of any document. Once a paper is laid on the Table of the House, it becomes the property of the House. Now, according to the Memorandum of Action Taken on the final Report of the Jain Commission of Inquiry... (*Interruptions*)

MR. CHAIRMAN: I am not putting that question. What I am asking from you is: If you want to raise any question with respect to Item No. 1(II) in today's List of Business, under what rule of the Rules of Procedure and conduct of Business in the council of States do you want to raise it?

SHRI MD. SALIM: Sir, it is a question of procedure. I can refer to the specific rule, I am referring to the practice that the Minister cannot prematurely publicise any document by holding a Press conference outside the House, and then subsequently, come and lay the same on the Table of the House. Originally, this document had already been laid on the Table of the House. The Minister can make a correction. But he cannot come to the House and lay the same document on the Table of the House after making an announcement in the public. this is what has been laid down.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Now, I would refer to the Rules of Procedure and conduct of Business in the Council of States. Rule 212.O says: "A member wishing to raise any of the matters referred to in rule 212.H shall communicate it to the Committee and not raise it in the Council." so, if it is to be referred, it shall be communicated to the Committee and not raise in the Council. (*Interruptions*)

SHRIMATI JAYANTHI NATARAJAN (Tamil Nadu): Sir, this is what is provided in the rule.